

1 71. (Once Amended) A makeup case for holding a cosmetic substance,
2 the case including a cover and a base, the cover being movable to an open position
3 and to a closed position, an improvement comprising:

4 a hermetic seal when the cover is in the closed position whereby the
5 seal maintains the cover in the closed position;

6 an outer body configured for retaining the cover and the base within
7 the body.

1 72. (Once Amended) The makeup case of claim 71, wherein the seal
2 comprises [of] a groove associated with the cover and a peripheral rim associated
3 with the base, the rim being received in the groove when the cover is in the closed
4 position.

1 86. (Once Amended) The compact of claim 85, wherein at least one of the
2 sealing surfaces comprises a [planar] wall.

1 92. (Once Amended) A container for storing cosmetics comprising:
2 base means for providing a base;
3 cover means for providing a cover selectively positionable between a
4 first position and a second position relative to the base means;

5 seal means for forming a hermetic seal between the cover means and
6 the base means wherein the seal means comprises:

7 a curved rim extending from one of the cover means or the base
8 means and a groove configured for receiving the rim disposed between a first
9 wall and a second wall extending from one of the cover means or the base
10 means;

11 a housing configured for retaining the base means and the
12 cover means;

13 wherein the hermetic seal is formed when the cover means is in the
14 first position.

 95. (Once Amended) The container of claim [95] 92, wherein the seal
means comprises an insert.